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International Application No. WO 98/43657, though not in the English language, is provided with an English translation of the Abstract. It is therefore submitted that applicants have satisfied the "concise explanation" requirement under 37 C.F.R. 1.98(3)(i) (see MPEP § 609 A (3)).

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It is believed that no fee is due. However, if the Commissioner determines that a

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Early and favorable consideration is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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